

MEETING MINUTES
Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling
January 9, 2020

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling was called to order by Jill Colegrove, Chair, at 9:01 a.m., in the Licensure Unit conference room, 1st Floor, State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of the agenda were mailed to the Board members and other interested parties in accordance with the Open Meetings Law.

The following members answered roll call:

Members Present (7):

Christine Chasek, Member
Lori Cleveland, Vice-Chair
Jill Colegrove, Chair
Amy Eigenberg, Member
Ian Lemmer, Member
Natasha Robinson, Member
Mary Sneckenberg, Member

Member Absent (1):

Victor Gehrig, Member

Staff Present:

Kris Chiles, Program Manager, Licensure Unit
Heidi Weiland, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit
Mindy Lester, Assistant Attorney General
Jeff Newman, Investigator
Carla Cue, Investigator

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Robinson moved, seconded by Chasek, to approve the agenda. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Lemmer, Robinson, Sneckenberg (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1). Motion carried.

3. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND ASSIGN BOARD MENTOR FOR SNECKENBERG

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (10-10-19)

MOTION: Robinson moved, seconded by Lemmer, to approve the minutes of 10.10.19. A voice vote was taken. Voting aye: Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Lemmer, Robinson (5). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1) Abstain: Chasek, Sneckenberg (2). Motion carried.

5. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS & OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Robinson moved, seconded by Chasek, to enter into closed session at 9:10 a.m. to hear discussions of investigative/confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputations of the individuals. Robinson repeated the motion purpose. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Lemmer, Robinson, Sneckenberg (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1). Motion carried.

9:10 a.m. Lester departed meeting, Hampton entered the meeting
9:25 a.m. Hampton departed meeting, Lester entered the meeting
9:50 a.m. Investigators departed the meeting
9:59 a.m. Eigenberg departed the meeting
10:10 a.m. Eigenberg returned to the meeting

MOTION: Chasek moved, seconded by Robinson, to return to open session at 10:29 a.m. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Lemmer, Robinson, Sneckenberg (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1). Motion carried.

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. Return to open session

6. REVIEW, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REPORT OUT OPEN SESSION

a. Applications, Summary of Mail Ballot Votes and Reinstatements

Conviction Reviews:

Nicohole White – PLADC Applicant

MOTION: Chasek moved, seconded by Cleveland, to recommend issuance of the license with no terms and conditions. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Colegrove, Lemmer, Robinson, Sneckenberg (6). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1). Abstain: Eigenberger (1). Motion carried.

Sharlett White – PLADC Applicant

MOTION: Chasek moved, seconded by Cleveland, to recommend issuance of the license with no terms and conditions. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Colegrove, Lemmer, Robinson, Sneckenberg (6). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1). Abstain: Eigenberger (1). Motion carried.

John Hall – LADC Applicant – Hour Review

MOTION: Eigenberg moved, seconded by Robinson, to recommend denial of documented hours as the supervisor was not registered with the Department at the time of hours were accrued. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Lemmer, Robinson, Sneckenberg (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1). Motion carried.

Linda Dowden – LADC Reinstatement

MOTION: Chasek moved, seconded by Eigenberg, to recommend deny request for reinstatement due to insufficient evidence to support early release. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Lemmer, Robinson, Sneckenberg (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1). Motion carried.

7. UPDATES REPORTS

a. 2020 Legislation

LB817 - Adopt the Prescribing Psychologist Practice Act

b. 172 NAC 15 and 16 Public Hearing on 10.16.19 - approval of the Public Hearing Comments

https://www.nebraska.gov/nesos/rules-and-regs/regtrack/details.cgi?proposal_id=2078

Chiles provided an overview of the results, requested approval for the regulation changes.

MOTION: Robinson moved, seconded by Chasek to approve changes to Chapter 15. Chasek, Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Lemmer, Robinson, Sneckenberg (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1). Motion carried.

MOTION: Chasek moved, seconded by Lemmer to repeal changes to Chapter 16. Chasek, Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Lemmer, Robinson, Sneckenberg (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1). Motion carried.

c. Justice Behavioral Health Committee Report

- Gilfillan retired as the Justice Behavioral Health Committee representative and Robinson took her place in December.
- JBHC Quarterly meeting, 2nd Wednesday of the month, next meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2020.

11:35 a.m. Lemmer departed the meeting

11:40 a.m. Lemmer returned to the meeting

d. International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) <https://internationalcredentialing.org>

Robinson reported she attended the IC&RC Fall Meeting October 28-29, 2019 in Savannah, GA. She reported it was a collaboration of representatives from Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas and Missouri. There is a 72% pass rate of the examination. Testing has been moved from Certemy to SMT. If individuals fail more than 5 times, they propose more education. Chiles reported SMT to provide testing for Peer Support Specialists. The Department is receiving exam results and entering them in our database.

e. Reports: Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Actions, License Statistics, Examination Statistics, and Administrative Fees

Disciplinary and Non-Disciplinary Action Report: The report beginning January 1, 2019 to current, was circulated.

Examination Results as of January 1, 2019: 31 pass, 5 fail

Statistics: (number of individuals holding a current license)

LADC 736

PLADC 411

8. ANNUAL BUSINESS

a. Elections and Appointments (officers, investigative consultant and education reviewers)

Current Officers: Colgrove – Chair, Chasek – Vice Chair, Johnson – Secretary

MOTION: Chasek moved, seconded by Sneckenberg to assign new officers as the following: Cleveland – Chair, Eigenberg – Vice Chair and Lemmer – Secretary. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Lemmer, Robinson, Sneckenberg (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1). Motion carried.

Investigative Consultant – Cleveland primary, Robinson secondary

Education Reviewer – Eigenberg primary, Robinson secondary

IC/RC Representative – Robinson

b. Approval of Method of Noticing Meeting Agendas

Current process is post the agendas on the website, in the lobby of the department or have individuals on a mailing list.

MOTION: Cleveland moved, seconded by Eigenberg to approve the current method of meeting agendas. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Chasek, Cleveland, Colegrove, Eigenberg, Lemmer, Robinson, Sneckenberg (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Gehrig (1). Motion carried.

c. Board member Per Diems and Compensation Recommendations (Neb. Rev. Stat. 38-171)

Chiles provided a review of current per diem standards, board duties, representing the board at meetings and preparing for meetings. No changes to current per diem amount.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Cleveland declared the meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

Submitted by:

Lori Cleveland, Chairperson
Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling

Summarized by:
Heidi Weiland, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit